## **Noyo River**

#### DESCRIPTION

The Noyo River, located in Northern Mendocino County, reaches the ocean approximately 2 miles south of Fort Bragg. This watershed has numerous water supply, recreation, and habitat-related uses.

Noyo River is impacted by sedimentation, excessive debris, and habitat alteration. Much of this impairment is associated with historic logging, overgrazing, and road building. The primary water quality concerns are related to drinking water supply and the anadromous fishery.



Entrance to Noyo Harbor

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### REASON FOR CCA IDENTIFICATION

The Noyo River was one of the original CCAs identified in 1995 as an impaired waterbody that flows into a bay.

#### POLLUTED RUNOFF CONDITIONS

	Top 5 Runoff Pollutants of Concern					
	2002 303(d)- Listed Pollutants TMDL Priority (& Proposed Completion)	Other Pollutants				Efforts to Address Pollutants (See next page)
Selected Coastal Zone Waterbodies	<u>Sediment</u>	<u>?</u>	<u>?</u>	<u>?</u>	<u>?</u>	
Noyo River ▲	High (2003)					
Noyo Bay ■						
Potential Sources of Pollutants in Coastal Waterbodies						
Agriculture	<b>A</b> =					a, d, e
Forestry (Silviculture)	<b>A</b> =					a, b, c, d, h
Urban Areas						d, f, h
Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers						g
➤ Septic Systems						g
Marinas & Boating						
Hydromodification	<b>A</b>					a, i
Wetlands & Riparian Areas						
<b>Unspecified Nonpoint Source</b>	<b>A</b> =					a

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## MAJOR EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT NPS MANAGEMENT MEASURES

a)	Total Maximum Daily Load (TMD Development	http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/ northcoast/						
Nort Boa	th Coast Regional Water Quality Control rd	Rebecca Fitzgerald	(707) 576-2650	rfitzgerald@waterboards.ca.gov				
	> Provides a quantitative assessment of water quality problems, contributing sources of pollution, and pollutant load reductions or control actions needed to restore and protect the beneficial uses of an individual impaired waterbody.							
b)	Sustained Yield Plan	http://www.mrc.com/issues/sustained%5Fyield%5Fplan.html						
Men	ndocino Redwood Company	michaelpowers@mendoco.com						
	> Computer simulations of forest growth and yield to develop a harvesting scenario that is compatible with company objectives, with watershed protection, and with habitat conservation.							
c)	Timber Harvest Plan review	http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/ northcoast/						
Nort Boa	th Coast Regional Water Quality Control rd	Christine Wright- Shacklett	(707) 576-2686	cwright- shacklett@waterboards.ca.gov				
	> Regulatory oversight of numerous projects in the Navarro River watershed; review proposed Timber Harvest plans; issue waivers or Waste Discharge Requirements (permits); Stormwater program regulates construction activities.							
d)	Coastal Land Trust							
		Rixanne Wehren	(707) 937-2709	rixanne@mcn.org				
	➤ Habitat protection for the estuarine and riverine habitats; conducted water quality monitoring, salmon spawning surveys, wetland habitat inventory, and estuary fish surveys on Albion River.							
e)	<b>Mendocino County Resource Cons</b>	ervation District		http://mrcd.ca.nacdnet.org				
		Janet Olave &	(707) 468-9223	janet-olave@ca.nacdnet.org				
		Chamise Cubbison		<u>Chamise-</u> <u>Cubbison@ca.nacdnet.org</u>				
	> The mission of MCRCD is to provide local leadership in the conservation of soil, water, and related natural resources through programs and partnerships with individuals, businesses, organizations and government							
f)	Restructuring Mendocino County	http://cemendocino.ucdavis.edu/ Watershed%2DNatural%5FResources						
	versity of California Cooperative ension – Mendocino County	Greg Guisti	(707) 463-4495	cemendocino@ucdavis.edu				
	➤ The project team adapted approaches of strategic and participatory planning to provide a process through which interested parties could provide input and direction for the restructuring of the Mendocino County Water Agency.							
g)	Elimination of Cross-Connection b in City of Fort Bragg (2004)	http://ci.fort- bragg.ca.us/default.html						
City	of Fort Bragg	Dick LaVen	(707) 961-2823	rlaven@ci.fort-bragg.ca.us				
Elimination of 57 cross-connections between city sanitary sewer system and stormwater drainage networks. Goal is to eliminate potential for contamination of receiving water or beaches with raw sewage and chlorinated effluent.								
h)	<b>Upper North Fork Noyo Road Dec</b>	http://www.tu.org/index.asp						
Trou	ut Unlimited	dkelly@reninet.com						
	Trout Unlimited Doug Kelly (707)882-3834 dkelly@reninet.com  ➤ Reduce impacts and restore salmonid habitat through implementation of site specific and prioritized road decommissioning on 8.5 miles of road in the Upper North Fork Noyo River watershed.							
i)	Hayworth Creek and North Fork N Enhancement Project	http://www.ccc.ca.gov/cccweb/index.htm						
Cali	fornia Conservation Corps							

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> Adding large woody debris to Hayworth Creek and the North Fork Noyo River in the form of 35 instream habitat improvement structures, increasing complex cover and improving the quality of salmonid rearing habitat.

## REGULATORY/PLANNING JURISDICTIONS

City of Fort Bragg, Water Project Management	http://ci.fort- bragg.ca.us/	Dick LaVen	(707) 961-2823	rlaven@ci.fort-bragg.ca.us
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<ul><li>Calif. Coastal Commission, Water Quality Unit</li></ul>	http://www.coastal.ca.g ov/nps/npsndx.html	Vanessa Metz	(707) 445-7873	vmetz@coastal.ca.gov
<ul> <li>North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, NPS Complaint Response</li> </ul>	http://www.waterboards _ca.gov/northcoast/	Diana Henrioulle- Henry	(707) 576-2350	dhenrioulle- henry@waterboards.ca.gov
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